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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. Applicant is reminded of the proper content of an abstract of the disclosure.

A patent abstract is a concise statement of the technical disclosure of the patent and should include that which is new in the art to which the invention pertains. If the patent is of a basic nature, the entire technical disclosure may be new in the art, and the abstract should be directed to the entire disclosure. If the patent is in the nature of an improvement in an old apparatus, process, product, or composition, the abstract should include the technical disclosure of the improvement. In certain patents, particularly those for compounds and compositions, wherein the process for making and/or the use thereof are not obvious, the abstract should set forth a process for making and/or use thereof. If the new technical disclosure involves modifications or alternatives, the abstract should mention by way of example the preferred modification or alternative.

The abstract should not refer to purported merits or speculative applications of the invention and should not compare the invention with the prior art.

Where applicable, the abstract should include the following:

- (1) if a machine or apparatus, its organization and operation;
- (2) if an article, its method of making;
- (3) if a chemical compound, its identity and use;
- (4) if a mixture, its ingredients;
- (5) if a process, the steps.

Extensive mechanical and design details of apparatus should not be given.

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because, it must be one paragraph and concise. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).
3. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claim Objections

4. Claims 1-32 are objected to because of the following informalities: the claims disclose a device, method and system on the same claim. It is unclear if the application is directed to a device, method or system. Appropriate correction is required.

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5. Claims 1, 15, 17 and 32 are objected to because of the following informalities: the claim discloses a second plurality of code sections; it is not clear what is the first plurality of code sections. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

6. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

Claim 14 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Changing size.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

7. Claims 1, 15, 17 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

8. Where applicant acts as his or her own lexicographer to specifically define a term of a claim contrary to its ordinary meaning, the written description must clearly redefine the claim term and set forth the uncommon definition so as to put one reasonably skilled in the art on notice that the applicant intended to so redefine that claim term. *Process Control Corp. v. HydReclaim Corp.*, 190 F.3d 1350, 1357, 52 USPQ2d 1029, 1033 (Fed. Cir. 1999). The term "field upgradeable system software" in claims 1, 15, 17 and 32 is used by the claim to mean "that the software can be upgraded outside of the factory or offices", while the accepted meaning is "remote upgradeable system." The term is indefinite because the specification does not clearly redefine the term.

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11. The claims are generally narrative and indefinite, failing to conform with current U.S. practice. They appear to be a literal translation into English from a foreign document and are replete with grammatical, idiomatic errors and obsolete terms.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

12. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

13. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

14. Claim 1-2, 4, 10-14, 17-18, 20, 26-30 and 31-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hansson in view Shirai.

Regarding claim 1 and 32, Hansson discloses a method for a wireless communications device of organizing remote upgrade system software (see col. 1, lines 6-10; col. 4, lines 28-31), and, executing the wireless device system software (see col. 3, lines 19-20). Hansson does not specifically disclose forming system software into a first plurality of code object libraries, each code object library comprising symbols having related functionality; arranging the first plurality of code object libraries into a second plurality of code sections. Shirai discloses forming system software into a first plurality of code object libraries (see par. 0017), each code object library comprising symbols having related functionality (see par. 0025). Since the step of arranging the first

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plurality of code object libraries into a second plurality of code sections do not disclose the difference or change between libraries and sections, they are treated as the same. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to combine both teaching for the simple purpose of flexibility.

As to claim 2 and 10-14, Shirai discloses the method wherein arranging the first plurality of symbol libraries into a second plurality of code sections includes: starting symbol libraries at the start of code sections; the method further comprising: storing the start of code sections at corresponding start addresses (see par. 0022). Shirai does not specifically disclose maintaining a code section address table cross-referencing code section identifiers with corresponding start addresses. However, OFFICIAL NOTICE IS TAKEN THAT maintaining a code section address table cross-referencing code section identifiers with corresponding start addresses is a common and well-known technique known as symbol table. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to add this technique for the simple purpose of knowing where is the data for later use.

As to claim 4, Hansson discloses the method of forming system software code into a first plurality of symbol libraries includes forming read-write data for the plurality of symbol libraries; and, wherein arranging the first plurality symbol libraries into a second plurality of code sections includes arranging the read-write data in a shared read-write code section (see col. 3, lines 5-24).

Regarding claim 15, Hansson discloses a method for a wireless communications device of organizing remote upgrade system software (see col. 1, lines 6-10; col. 4,

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lines 28-31), and, executing the wireless device system software (see col. 3, lines 19-20). Hansson does not specifically disclose forming system software into a first plurality of code object libraries, each code object library comprising symbols having related functionality; arranging the first plurality of code object libraries into a second plurality of code sections. Shirai discloses forming system software into a first plurality of code object libraries (see par. 0017), each code object library comprising symbols having related functionality (see par. 0025). Since the step of arranging the first plurality of code object libraries into a second plurality of code sections do not disclose the difference or change between libraries and sections, they are treated as the same. Shirai does not specifically disclose maintaining a code section address table cross-referencing code section identifiers with corresponding start addresses. However, OFFICIAL NOTICE IS TAKEN THAT maintaining a code section address table cross-referencing code section identifiers with corresponding start addresses is a common and well-known technique known as symbol table. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to combine both teaching for the simple purpose of flexibility.

As to claim 31, Hansson discloses using system software in a writeable, nonvolatile memory (see col. 1, lines 12-15).

Regarding claims 17-18, 20 and 26-30, they are the corresponding system claims of method claims 1-2, 4, and 10-14. Therefore, claims 17-18, 20 and 26-30 are rejected for the same reason shown above.

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15. Claims 3, 16 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hansson in view of Shirai as applied to claims 1-2, 4, 10-14, 17-18, 20, 26-30 and 31-32 above, and further in view of Kuroda.

As to claim 3 and 16, Hansson and Shirai do not specifically disclose the method of arranging symbols to be offset from their respective code section start addresses; and the method further comprising: maintaining a symbol offset address table cross-referencing symbol identifiers with corresponding offset addresses, and corresponding code section identifiers. Kuroda discloses the method of arranging symbols to be offset from their respective code section start addresses; and the method further comprising: maintaining a symbol offset address table cross-referencing symbol identifiers with corresponding offset addresses, and corresponding code section identifiers (see abstract). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to add this technique to the Hansson and Shirai system for better management of the memory resources.

Regarding claims 19 is the corresponding system claims of method claims 3. Therefore, claim 19 is rejected for the same reason shown above.

16. Claims 5-9 and 21-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hansson in view of Shirai as applied to claims 1-2, 4, 10-14, 17-18, 20, 26-30 and 31-32 above, and further in view of Honda.

As to claims 5-9, Hansson and Shirai do not specifically disclose the method further comprising: storing the symbol accessor code address in a first location in memory; wherein executing the code sections as system software includes: in response

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to referencing the first location in memory, accessing the symbol accessor code; and, invoking the symbol accessor code to calculate the address of a sought symbol using a corresponding symbol identifier, and a corresponding code section identifier. Honda discloses storing the symbol accessor code address in a first location in memory; wherein executing the code sections as system software includes: in response to referencing the first location in memory, accessing the symbol accessor code; and, invoking the symbol accessor code to calculate the address of a sought symbol using a corresponding symbol identifier, and a corresponding code section identifier (see col. 5, line 66 – col. 6, line 27). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to combine this teaching for accessing the desire address in the memory.

Regarding claims 21-25, they are the corresponding system claims of method claims 5-9. Therefore, claims 21-25 are rejected for the same reason shown above.

Conclusion

17. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- a. Seidel U.S. Patent US005337255A
- b. Peek U.S. Patent US005481706A
- c. Sherer U.S. Patent US005600823A
- d. Costello U.S. Patent US006754894B1
- e. Minear U.S. Publication US 20030060189A1

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